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For: ELECTRONIC WATERMARKING METHOD AND SYSTEM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 16 (sixteen) Sheets of Formal Drawings.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation, Armonk, New York 10504.
- ☒ A certified copy of a Japanese Patent application No. 2000-196396.
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